As an American I am grateful for our democracy and a free press. Consolidation of media seems contradictory to these principles. A clear example is SINCLAIR BROADCASTING'S decision to air anti-Kerry propoganda as "news", forcing its stations to pre-empt regular programing. SINCLAIR'S actions can be interpreted only as the use of consolidated media as a power base for a one-sided political agenda. I find it in direct conflict with the principles of a media that creates healthy democracy.